

there is no other. It is not indeed free from toil and difficulty, but the footprints of the Master may be seen upon every step of the way, and love makes it pleasant and easy to tread where He has trodden. Nay more; he that will listen shall still hear the voice of Jesus, day by day, as truly as the primeval pair in the bowers of Eden, and shall have fellowship with Him as real and quickening as the wondering disciples that journeyed with Him to Emmaus. "If a man love me," He says, "he will keep my words; and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him." The promise has but one condition—obedience—the fruit of faith and love. The cause and effect of Enoch's Divine fellowship are both explained to us in a single sentence, in the eleventh chapter of the Hebrews—"before his translation, he had this testimony, that *he pleased God.*" All true fellowship must have its origin in kindred sympathies and aims. He, therefore, that would enjoy Enoch's high privilege must imitate his high example, and seek to be brought into constant and lively sympathy with Jesus in regard to the great ends of his incarnation and death; and he that would please God, and aim at a more intimate "fellowship with the sufferings" of Jesus, must hold daily communion with him:

"So shall our walk be close with God,
Calm and serene our frame;
So purer light shall mark the road
That leads us to the Lamb."

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The Sydney correspondent of the *English Independent* writes:

"It is unhappily a common experience of ministers here to find those who are living regardless of religion, but who were regular attendants and, in some cases, members of Congregational churches in England. It frequently appears that such leave home with the full intention of settling down in one of our churches on arriving in Australia, but the ups and downs to which they are exposed on landing unsettle them, the application is postponed, and ultimately the habit is formed of entirely neglecting the ordinances of religion. Will our brethren at home kindly take note of this, and if any of their congregations leave for Australia will they not only give to such letters of introduction, but also write a few lines to some minister in the colony to which the bearer is going? If no minister is known, one of the secretaries of the Union of the colony might be written to, and he would intimate the circumstance to his brethren."

The experience adverted to is unfortunately not confined to the Australian colonies; we meet with numerous instances of the same thing in Canada. We have never received, indeed, any large accessions to our membership from the British Congregational Churches, most of those who emigrate having been prepossessed in favor of Australia, by the persistent efforts of our leading religious journals to write up that coun-